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**Waiheke bookstore celebrates award win**

Books and stationery store Paper Plus Waiheke has won the esteemed Paper Plus Group Small Store of the Year award at this week's 2016 Paper Plus Awards.

Paper Plus Waiheke competed against 100 other Paper Plus stores for the award. The winners were announced at the Rotorua Energy Events Centre on Wednesday night with 350 store owners, suppliers and publishers in attendance.

Paper Plus Waiheke owner Ann McDonald is honoured to have won the award.

"We really pride ourselves on being the best little book store we can for the Waiheke community, so I'm incredibly pleased to receive this award.

"I want to thank our amazing Paper Plus team and all of our loyal customers who make our job so worthwhile," says McDonald.

Sam Shosanya, Paper Plus Group CEO, congratulates Paper Plus Waiheke and recognises the fantastic work McDonald and her team.

"I'd also like to honour the late Koos Schipper and his worthy contribution to the store over many years. His passing was incredibly sad for the entire Paper Plus Group family, but I know he'd be incredibly proud of what the Waiheke team has achieved this year."

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**About Paper Plus:**

The Paper Plus Group began 33 years ago and is one of New Zealand's largest stationery and book sellers. The Group incorporates two separate retail brands: Paper Plus, which has more than 100 stores and Take Note with 20 stores; all offering a great range of stationery, books, magazines, cards and gifts to New Zealand consumers. There is a Paper Plus store in most towns from Kaikohe to Invercargill. It is the only New Zealand book and stationery retailer with Fly Buys.